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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Our Docket No.: 404980)

In re the Application of

Griswold, Chauncey

Serial No.: 10/084,820

Filed: February 27, 2002

For: CONTACTLESS CARD READING
IN A GAMING MACHINE

To: Commissioner for Patents

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) Examiner: Jones, Scott E.

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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of May 12, 2003, please amend the following:

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Amended) The method of activating a gaming machine by an individual player for subsequent play, which comprises:

displaying to said gaming machine, without physical contact with said gaming machine, a card carried by the player, said card comprising suitable electronics and an antenna, causing [the] wireless transfer of first individualized data concerning the player from the card to the gaming machine or to a computer network that is associated with said gaming machine; evaluating said data against a stored database, [and] activating said gaming machine for said subsequent play upon favorable evaluation of said data, and, during or after said subsequent play, causing wireless transfer of second, individualized data back to the card to be stored.

9. (Amended) The method of activating a gaming machine by an individual player for subsequent play, which comprises:

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